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PRICE \$2 PER MONTH

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

JUN 7 GREAT ADMIRAL, American ship, 1,497, James F. Rowell, Manila 31st May, Ballast. CAPTAIN.

JUN 8 DANUBE, British str., 561, J. Newton, Bangkok 2nd June, Rice and General YUEN FAT HONG.

JUN 9 KELLEWELL, British steamer, 918, T. H. Cleghorn, Swatow, 8th June, General. BUR. TIRFIELD & SWIRE.

JUN 9 FOOKSANG, British steamer, 890, HOGS, Shanghai 6th June, General. JARDINE, MATHERSON & CO.

JUN 9 YINGO, British steamer, 761, Crawford, Shanghai 6th June, General. SIEMSEN & CO.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE 9TH JUNE.

Printers, French bank for Goronkoko (Golobok), Annie, for Bangkok.

Kuang Lee, British str., for Shanghai.

Chingtung, Chinese steamer, for Amoy.

JUN 9 FOOKSANG, British str., for Canton.

JUN 9 CHINGTUNG, Chinese str., for Amoy.

JUN 9 KWANG LEE, British str., for Shanghai.

DEPARTURES.

JUN 9 TAI CHOW, British str., for Bangkok.

JUN 9 FOOKSANG, British str., for Canton.

JUN 9 CHINGTUNG, Chinese str., for Amoy.

JUN 9 YUEN FAT & WALSH - HONGKONG.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per Danube, str., from Bangkok - 16 Chinese.

Per Kedung, str., from Swatow - 70 Chinese.

Per Fooksing, steamer, from Shanghai - 57 Chinese.

Per Ningpo, str., from Shanghai - 30 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per Lanme, str., for Kedung - Mr. C. Ford.

Per Thales, str., for Swatow - Mrs. J. Lawrence, D. Rodriguez, and Lee Man Tean.

For Fooksing - Mr. Mrs. and Miss Kok Seung Tat.

REPORTS.

The British steamer Ningpo reports experienced fine, clear weather throughout the passage and moderate breeze.

The British steamer Fooksing reports left Shanghai on the 8th instant, and had light to moderate North-Eastly winds and fine weather throughout.

The American ship Great Admiral reports strong S.W. monsoon with heavy squalls within fifty miles of Ladrones; then fresh breezes from N.E. to E.

The British steamer Danube reports left Bangkok at 0.30 a.m. of the 2nd instant; had light variable winds and fine weather throughout the passage.

The British steamer Kedung reports left Swatow on the 8th instant, and had moderate winds from the N.E. with clear weather. Steamers in Swatow - Taising, Wusong, and Fugue.

VESSELS ARRIVED IN EUROPE FROM PORTS IN CHINA, JAPAN, AND MANILA. (Per last Mail's Advice.)

Pandora (a) Hongkong April 19.

Victor Manila April 25.

Foron (a) Yokohama April 27.

Mendes (a) Shanghai via Hamburg April 28.

Diamond (a) Shanghai April 29.

Wm. Mansfield Hongkong May 1.

VESSELS EXPORTED AT HONGKONG. (Corrected to Date.)

Aura Cardiff Oct. 15.

Medina Cardiff Nov. 26.

March Cardiff Dec. 1.

George Cardiff Dec. 15.

Andrew Jackson Cardiff Dec. 29.

Mariam Cardiff Dec. 30.

Jupiter Antwerp Jan. 9.

Leonea Cardiff Jan. 16.

Macedon Cardiff Feb. 1.

Schiller Cardiff Feb. 2.

General Donville Penang Feb. 25.

Governor Tilley Penang Feb. 25.

Impala Penang Feb. 25.

Carrie (a) Hamburg Mar. 15.

Guy C. Cres Penang Mar. 15.

Lord Jeffrey (a) Glasgow Mar. 18.

Nankin (a) Newcastle Mar. 18.

Governor Goodwin Penang Mar. 22.

Canton (a) Cardiff Mar. 26.

Papa Cardiff Mar. 29.

Allahabah Penang April 1.

Udina L. via Cardiff April 4.

Milan Penang April 4.

Plymouth Cardiff April 9.

Atah (a) Cardiff April 9.

Hyam L. via Cardiff April 9.

Joe Rovers L. via Cardiff April 15.

C. F. Sargent L. via Cardiff April 20.

Maria Cardiff April 21.

South America Cardiff April 23.

Storm King Penang April 24.

Johnstone (a) Cardiff April 24.

Nassau (a) Shields April 26.

Redesirous (a) London April 26.

Dartmouth London April 29.

Cyclops (a) Liverpool April 30.

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DURING my temporary absence

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HONGKONG DISPENSARY. 123

NOTICES TO CORRESPONDENTS.
Communications on Editorial matters should be addressed to "The Editor," and those on business to "The Manager," and not to individuals by name.

Correspondents are requested to forward their name and address with communications addressed to the Editor, not for publication, but as evidence of good faith.

All letters for publication should be written on one side of the paper only.

Advertisements and Subscriptions which are not ordered for a fixed period will be continued until discontinued.

Orders for extra copies of the *Daily Press* should be sent before 11 a.m. on the day of publication. After that hour the supply is limited.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, JUNE 10TH, 1884.

Korea may now be considered thoroughly opened to foreign trade. The American and British treaties with the Hornet Kingdom have both been ratified, the various ports have been opened, a Customs Service formed, and some few European merchants have gone to settle there and try to develop a trade. The principal port at present is Fusen, which is still the centre of the Japanese trade, but Jinchuan, or Chinsulpo as it is often called, will, it is expected, ultimately become the principal port of the peninsula. Its situation, as being the seaport for the capital, naturally lends it importance, and trade will necessarily centre there in a very large extent. So far, however, there has been a very slow development of business, and the prospects for the future do not seem particularly alluring. Still a beginning has been made. The town of Jinchuan, which was a mere collection of native huts, when first opened to foreign trade, is rapidly assuming the appearance of a port. Numerous new houses have been built, many of them being substantial structures, a Custom House and a British Consulate have been established, jetties have been constructed, Messrs. JARDINE, MATHISON & Co. have moored a bulk in the harbour, streets are being made, and the place generally is gradually assuming an air of business. Several steamers visited the port in April, and no less than seven Chinese junks arrived there from Fusen, as well as two or three Japanese schooners. Several foreign man-of-war have also visited the port recently. It is intended to dredge the inner harbour, and a new and commodious road to the capital is shortly to be made, which will greatly facilitate communication. The principal portion of what little foreign trade Korea will develop—it is in an embryo condition as yet—will evidently centre at Jinchuan. At present, as Mr. CARLES, in his recent report on a journey made in Korea in October last, very truly remarks, the trade of Korea is essentially retail, and until there are more facilities for carriage inland and a different currency it must continue to be so. Indeed, all trade is now necessarily conducted by barter, for the Korean cash would be of little use outside the country and is sufficiently cumbersome in the kingdom itself to make merchants repudiate having any dealings with it. A portion of this coinage is also very much debased. Mr. CARLES, in order to give an idea of the burden money is to its possessor in the Hornet Kingdom, says that he had great difficulty with 24,000 cash sent to him from Seoul. The money was packed on two ponies—a load of about 250 lbs. for each pony. In spite of their number, his retainers were greatly alarmed at the danger of carrying this treasure, the value of which was a little over £30. Unless the mines, about which very scanty particulars have yet been ascertained, prove productive, and are worked with European machinery, it is to be feared that Korean trade will grow very slowly. The Koreans have practically no bullion wherewith to pay for foreign goods, their wants are few and simple, and they will be some time before they develop any taste for articles *de luxe*. The piecemeal goods and useful articles of foreign manufacture which they require will probably have to be paid for in cattle, tobacco, hemp, jute, hides, furs, and a few other products. No doubt the list of exports will expand by degrees, for the soil is not barren, and is capable of producing far more than it now yields, a good deal of land being left uncultivated. Meantime it is well to recognise the fact that the opening up of the Korean market to foreign goods is not likely to tax the ability of British manufacturers to supply the demand. Another fact that should not be lost sight of is that, though the Koreans are very poor, what little capital they hold is invested in trade. Mr. CARLES says:—"The system of trade in Korea is peculiar on account of the large interest taken in it by officials and nobles. Even the King's own father, until at any rate quite recently, turned some of his money to account. The introduction of foreign capital, may therefore, on account of the competition it will create, be unfavourably regarded by the officials. There appears to be a thorough supervision over all business transactions that take place; but, though I spent much time in questioning people on the subject, I was unable to learn any details regarding it, except that such matters are daily reported to the local officials. Nor were my informants more outspoken as to the sales made directly by officials to whom we applied as 'customers.' From this it will be apparent

that it is doubtful, at least, whether any proposition to introduce foreign capital into the country will be received with favour. If, however, it can be shown that, by opening up the mineral wealth of the country—over by means of foreign capital—the royal revenues will be trebled, it is possible that assent would be given and a concession made to foreigners. The real value of the mines has yet to be determined, but there seems no reason to doubt that the precious metals exist in some abundance in the country, though whether it is an oriferous as one enthusiastic American geologist declared, from its conformation and character it must be, remains to be seen."

The British steamer *Koching* went round to the Aberdeen dock yesterday.

From the Shanghai papers, we learn that more troops are being moved from Chinkiang to Foochow.

Admiral Sir William M. Dowell, K.C.B., left Shanghai on the 2nd inst. in the *Vigilant* for Hawa.

The Ocean S. S. Co.'s steamer *Cyclops*, from Liverpool, left Singapore yesterday for the port and Shanghai.

The *Shanghai Mercury* says it is reported that as soon as the Russian Treaty with Korea has been signed, another Korean port will be opened.

The steamer *Aberdeen*, which arrived at Shanghai from Sylva, N.S.W. on the 4th inst., having spoken on May 27th, the British barque *Elf*, from Bantam's Peninsula, for Hongkong.

We remit our readers that Signora Marchese's last concert will take place this evening at the Theatre Royal, City Hall. A good programme has been drawn up for the occasion, and we sincerely hope that the talented vocalist will this time secure a good hearing.

Dr. Macgowan, of Wenchow, has received an account of two earthquakes in Yenan furnished by Rev. G. W. Clarke, of Tsi-Fei—January 1st, Yung-pi: direction from south to south: duration four seconds. January 26th, 5.30 a.m.: Tsi-Fei: direction from south to north: duration a second. Both shocks were slight.

We have to acknowledge receipt of "Notes on Corea," by A.W.D., reprinted from the *Star in the East*. The notes are pleasantly written and very readable, in one sense, but we are afraid any who tries to read them in their collected form will find the operation very painful to the eyes; they are printed on dark orange coloured paper.

The Secretaries of the Sheridan Mining Company have sent out the following circular to shareholders:—"We are directed to inform you that a telegram has been sent to the Hon. Sir S. S. C. of the Directors, who is visiting the mine, to the effect that the mine is much better than at first represented, and that a dividend will be paid this year."

The *Shanghai Mercury* learns that H. E. Chang Chien Yeh, the late Superintendent of Wuhan Customs, has been appointed Minister to Washington, in place of H. E. Cheng Tsan Yin who is recalled. H. E. Chang Chien Yeh is at present in Tientsin, and it will be remembered that he was one of the members of the Council who framed the late Franco-Chinese Convention.

A party of Hongkong thieves have been distinguishing themselves in Shanghai. Five of them went up thore, and having stolen \$100 from the French Concession, and \$140 from the English Settlement, made preparations for leaving. They were, however, smartly captured by native detectives, and at the Mixed Court were condemned to two years' imprisonment in the chain gang.

The man who was savagely attacked some time since by two stone cutters at Yau-mau seems to have been handled very severely indeed, and now that he is able to come to the Police Court to give evidence, he has been brought so low that he is not able to walk without assistance. The case was before Mr. Wise yesterday, and the wounded man was examined.

The Chinaman, who under the influence of the great tycoon, stabbed his sweetheart and cut his own throat, has recovered sufficiently to leave the hospital, and the trial date of his treason has been fixed for the 10th inst.

This little drama has therefore lost its

spark, and when the trial date is fixed, the

whole world will be interested to see what

they will be able to do with the man.

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The hand of eight Arab destitutes who have lately been contributing their quota to the picturesque, cosmopolitan appearance of our shores, has been伸展ed by the hand of a

profound of four more, larger, brawny sons of the desert. The last four turned up with the same tale as their predecessors, viz. that they had been shipwrecked on the coast of Canton, raised a cry to "murder or kill the foreign devi," and the gates for some time stood in danger of being forced by the mob endeavouring to break into the wharf. The Chinese police or soldiers, as they are indifferently called, were not a whit less than the tycoons, and the crowd was rapidly dispersed.

A barefaced robbery of a parcel of valuable goods owned by a foreigner was also perpetrated yesterday at a place called the pig-market, situated in the Western Suburb. The goods were in charge of three trusted servants of the firm, when they were set upon by eight men, supposed to be soldiers, and the committee sent to the place of the robbery and made no pretence but to pay their fare, but he was not satisfied that they had paid their fare, and so finally declared that there was no dividend to be paid this year.

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S Y T R A C T S.

THE WARDEN OF THE CINQUE PORTS.
A mist was driving down the British Channel.

The day was just begun,
And through the window-panes, on floor and panel,

Streamed the curtains down.

It gleamed on flowing flap and rippling panes,

And the white salts of ships;

And, from the frowning rampart, the black cannon

Hailed it with reverent lips.

Sandwich and Romney, Hastings, Rye, and Dover,

Were all alert that day.

To see the French war-stormers speeding over,

When the fog cleared away.

Sullen and silent, like couchant lions,

The cannon, through the night,

Holding their breath, had watched, in grim defiance,

The sea-coast opposite.

And, now they roared at drum-beat from their stations,

Or every oar-tide;

Each answering each, with morning salutations,

That all was well.

And down the coast, all taking up the burden,

Replied the distant forts.

As if to summon from his sleep the Warlion

And Lord of the Cinque Ports.

None had sunshine from the fields of azure,

No dream-beat from the wall,

No morning sun from the black fort's embrasures,

Awaken with a call!

No more, surviving with an eye impartial;

The long line of the coast,

The gallant figure of the old Field Marshal

Was seen upon his post!

For in the night, unseen, a single warrior,

In sombre harness mailed,

Dreaded of man, and surmised the Destroyer,

The rampart will have sealed.

He passed into the chamber of the sleeper,

The dark and silent room.

And as he entered, darkness grew, and deeper

The silence and the gloom.

He did not pause to pray or dissemble,

But smote the Warlion hoar;

Ab, what a blow! that made all England tremble,

And green from shore to shore.

Moanville, without, the only waner waited,

The sun rose bright o'erhead;

Nothing in Nature's aspect intimated

That a great man was dead!

The Duke of Wellington.

—Long fellow.

THE COURTS OF THREE PRESIDENTS.

These sketches are well hit off. M. Thiers is

known to the world as a fine historian, but

his character is also described here as a

curious offshoring mixture of talent, learn-

ing, vanity, childish petulance, inquisitive-

ness, egotism, eccentric patriotism, and self-

assured ambition. He is a bold orator,

with the shrill voice of an old costermonger;

as a general, with the presumption of a school-

boy; a kind-hearted man, with the irritability

of monkey; a masterly administrator, with

that irrepressible tendency to meddle with

everything, which worries subordinates, and

makes good administration impossible."

Other portions of the article are here quoted

in a condensed form.

M. THIERS IN OFFICE.

M. Thiers, after the first vote of the

Assembly, which appointed him Chief of the

Executive, took up his residence at the

Prefecture, in the apartments which M.

Gambetta had vacated. "Pah! what a smell of tobacco!" said he, at his

arrival. "I am not in the slightest hurry,"

replied M. Grévy calmly. "All resolutions

would be unjusifiable, from your point of

view," continued Gambetta. "You will die

in the skin of an inveterate!" was all M.

Grévy's rejoicing answer. The Assembly

elected after the war at once chose M. Grévy

for its Speaker, and he took up his abode in

the Royal Palace. From which party jealousies

had departed M. Thiers. But he did not

alter his number of life one whit on that

account. In Paris and Versailles he was to be

seen sauntering about the streets looking in

at shop windows, dinging in restaurants, or

sitting outside a cafe smoking a cigar, and

sipping cold coffee out of a glass. He had

a briquette, but would only use it when

obliged to go long distances.

It often happened that setting out for a drive he would

slip off his carriage and order his coachman

to follow, and for hours the

coachman and his coach would

drive at a walking pace behind his

indefatigable master, who took easy strides as

if he were not in the slightest hurry.

M. Grévy's favorite evening pastime in those

days was billiards, and it is so still. He is

the first-rate player of the cannot game on

those small French tables which have no

pockets. He has been known to make more

than one hundred canons at a break, and

is one of the most enthusiastic at the game

to care not a button with whom he plays.

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